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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Bruce G. KANIA, et al.

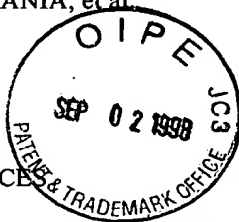
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